



# Blackbeard's Epitaph

## Save These Dates:

**July 4th**

**Hot Dog Lunch Noon - 2PM**

**July 7**

**BOD @ 7PM**

**July 22**

**Parrothead Regatta**

**August 12**

**BOD @ 9:30AM**

**August 25**

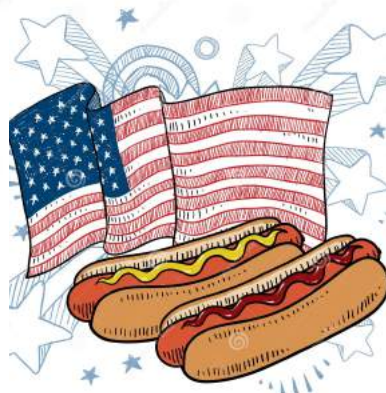
**Karaoke 7PM**

**August 26 - 27**

**Gurganus One Design Regatta**

**September 2 / 3**

**NYRA Beer Stein Regatta**



## Blackbeard Sailing Club

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## From the Commodore:

Greetings Fellow Sailors!!

What a long, delicious spring we have had at the Club. Hurricane season is upon us, and it still hasn't gotten really hot...yet!! (Please verify your hurricane plan.)

There is a lot of activity at the Club, including junior sailing, adult racing, cruising, boat maintenance, and plenty of socializing on the shaded deck!!! (Thanks to Mark Hittner and crew.)

The month included the Springtime One Design Regatta, the second event in the revived Clark Cup Series, with 32 boats participating. Racing was excellent and all the visitors had a **mighty fine** time. Our race committee has done a wonderful job producing these dinghy events. I, for one, am quite appreciative of the collective effort of the many folks who make this all possible at our incredible venue. The Gurganus One Design Regatta, the third event of the Clark Cup Series at the end of August, promises to be well attended.

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## From the Commodore

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The EYTSA Junior Sailing Camps have started and will continue through the end of July. For more information, go to [etysa.org](http://etysa.org).

Elections for Officers and Directors of the Blackbeard Board, and Secretary and Treasurer are upcoming in the Fall. The nomination process is beginning - an article follows later in this Epitaph. If you are interested in contributing to the management of the Club and its future, consider running for the Board of Directors, or an officer's position as a significant volunteer contribution.

Let's go sailing!

*Arch*

## Did You Know...???

by Charlie Batchelor

As seen in the picture, club docks are never an acceptable place to leave paddle boards, kayaks, or other floating items. They belong in an assigned rack designated for those items.





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## HURRICANE SEASON AHEAD PREPARE NOW!

Mates, as you know, our hurricane season is on the horizon. This is early on, but no time like the present to prepare your boat!

- Is your hurricane plan up-to-date?
- Is your hurricane buddy prepared to act on your behalf?
- Is your boat fully functional & able to operate under power?
- Are you prepared and able to evacuate the harbor once a Craven County warning is declared on a day's notice?
- If a trailer sailor, is your trailer ready to go and functional?
- If anchoring out, are your proper anchors and rode on board and at the ready?

**Suggest all members review the dock policy on our website and the video link below. The club is not responsible (nor able) to remove your boat from the harbor.**

Our Hurricane Preparedness Seminar was conducted on May 20<sup>th</sup> as planned. Attendance was very good, with approximately 35-40 in attendance, mostly new members and several old-timers.

Many who could not attend have asked for a video of the event. In addition, we have posted a one-page checklist to highlight some bullet points.

The video of the entire event, and the checklist can be found here: <https://blackbeardsailingclub.org/bsc-hurricane-preparedness-workshop-may-2023/>

Thank you in advance for your cooperation!

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## Blackbeard Nomination Process Starting for 2024 Officers and Board of Directors

by Jane Staveley

The 2023 year for BSC is almost half over, and the recruiting for Officer and Director candidates for 2024 is starting. Elected offices include two Board of Directors positions (2-year terms) as well as Commodore, Vice Commodore, Rear Commodore, Secretary and Treasurer. You can refer to the Club By-Laws and the Committee structure listed in the Epitaph for the responsibilities of each of the positions. Realistically, the unwritten duty of the elected Board is to work with the membership to formulate the present and future direction of the Club.

Think of the services and facilities Blackbeard has provided to you and then ask, "Is it time for me to run? How can I best serve Blackbeard?" We are a self-help club and require a dedicated slate of officials to continue to operate in this manner. Many of the longstanding members have served now and in the past. It is time for newer members to step forward and contribute their time and effort to the success of our organization. The Nominating Committee has been/will be actively recruiting individuals for these open positions and would like to have a full slate of candidates by the beginning of September.

Will you serve? If not now, when? Organizations operate best when everyone takes a turn in leading.

Express your interest in running for any of the open positions to the Nominating Committee members listed below. We would also welcome help on the Nominating Committee. Please ask if you have any questions.

Many Thanks.

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**Charlie Batchelor, Member 919-345-6189** [cbgatorman@yahoo.com](mailto:cbgatorman@yahoo.com)



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by Jim Heffernan, Wayfarer Sailor

## Rescue on the Neuse

In June 2023, Wayfarer 2458 was racing on the Neuse in a Five Class Regatta run by Blackbeard Sailing Club. While following a Tanzer 16 toward the lay line for the windward mark, we decided to tack a little early to avoid bad air from the Tanzer. I heard an expletive from upwind, and my crew, Lynn Abram (a newbie to sailing) saw the top of a head bobbing in the two-foot waves. While she kept her eye on the person in the water, we tacked and worked up toward the man while furling the jib as I slowly came alongside him so Lynn could grab him.

Since he was not wearing a PFD, she had to grab him by the arm. It was difficult to hold on to him and her hand slid down his arm, but she managed to keep hold of the hat he was holding in his hand as his head went under the waves. I grabbed the other arm, and we were able to get him into a stable position alongside the boat with his head above water. Once we accomplished that, we were able to take a moment to assess the situation. We both realized it was going to take a lot of strength to pull him over the side. Fortunately, he was able to assist in his own rescue and got one hand and then the other onto the deck edge. Then we heeled the boat more to windward, grabbed him under the arms, and with much effort, brought him aboard.

Lynn, a whitewater kayaker with swift water rescue training, grabbed her kit, offered the disoriented sailor an energy bar and cold water, and advised him to take some time to rest and recover. We offered to take him to the race committee boat, but he said he wished to get aboard his own boat which was waiting nearby with his crew. We carefully came alongside, keeping hands away from the banging rub rails, and transferred him to his boat. Then we headed for the windward mark.

Lessons learned: We should have started blowing an emergency whistle immediately, hoping that someone downwind would hear.

We should have had a seat cushion or fender with a line attached that he could have grabbed.

We could have put a loop in the main sheet to give him a foothold for getting aboard.

Most importantly, this incident illustrates the importance of wearing a PFD. Had the sailor in the water been wearing a PFD, this would have been a short detour to pick up a passenger, instead of an emergency situation.

We are glad we had not tacked earlier with the other Wayfarers and then been too far away to hear the first shout and see the person in the water. Fortunately, we were in the right place at the right time, and this situation ended well.

Jim Heffernan, Skipper and Lynn Abram, Crew



Jim Heffernan



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Photo by Charlie Batchelor

*Cruisers NEVER Sail to a Schedule, They Sail on Good Weather!*

**CRUISING FORWARD** *by Scott Huddle & Jeff Tsai*

## South River Anchorage

Ahoy matey!!!

The June cruise started with a rendezvous in the South River Anchorage. A light wind turned into a good sea breeze, followed by a get-together on Bruce and Nancy's Caper. Great food, good conversation and a beautiful sunset made for a wonderful start to a great adventure at sea. We were surrounded by beautiful trees, no houses and the boat-only access to the Luken Cemetery, recently upgraded by an Eagle Scout project, perched up on the hill. The next morning, some returned to Oriental and Blackbeard and some continued sailing with the Neuse Sailing Association to Belhaven. A great time was had by all.

*Jessica Merrill & Scott Huddle*

### Next cruises:



#### July 4th, New Bern Fireworks Cruise

Depart after the Club hot dog social, sail to New Bern for fireworks and back to BSC. Some boats will elect to stay anchored overnight.



#### July 22-23, Parrothead Race/Cruise to Oriental

There is a NYRA race on Saturday to Oriental. (NYRA racers anchor or get a slip Saturday night.) You can elect to race with NYRA or participate as a BSC cruiser. A slip can be reserved at Oriental Harbor Village Marina (252-671-9692) or Oriental Marina Inn (252-249-1818) or you can anchor out.



#### August 4-6, River Dunes (27 NM)

Reserve a slip at the marina (252-249-4908) to have access to amenities, or anchor nearby at Lower Broad Creek. South River is the rough conditions backup destination.



#### Sept 22-25, Destination TBD

Make-up for canceled trip.



#### Oct 21-22, Post Workday Overnight

Cruise to New Bern or Clubfoot Creek.



#### Dec 2-3, New Bern Christmas Parade and Flotilla

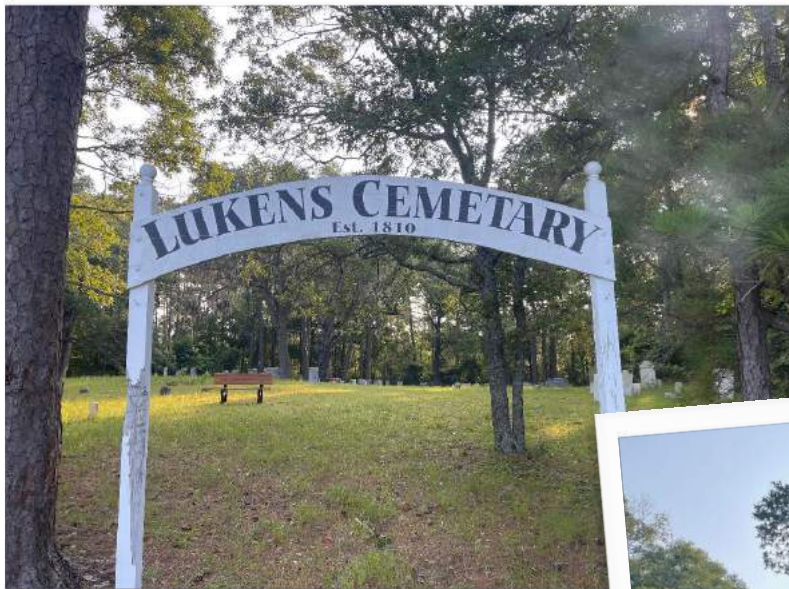
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by Eddy Parker

## Fickle Racing on the River

To quote PRO Bill Jarvis, "That was the worst day of running a race in my life." Winds shifting through 100 degrees and light wind made for some tough conditions for a race committee to get races in. The mark had more miles on the water in that one day than some of the boats in our club get in a full year! They got off 2 races for the San Juans and 3 races for the Sunfish, Wayfarers, 420s and Tanzers. A total of 32 boats made it to the start line for Blackbeard's One Design.

The regatta weekend began Friday night with burgers, brats and dogs to welcome all the sailors traveling to the regatta. Racing on Saturday in fickle winds, and a bit of heat, made for tired sailors on Saturday afternoon, but they were able to rally and enjoy great BBQ with fixin's in the clubhouse. Sunday was once again a challenging day for the race committee, but better than Saturday! They were able to get in two good races in winds up to 10 knots before sending everyone back to the docks, since no races could be started after 13:30.

The shore team was able to put out leftovers from Friday and Saturday to reward the racers with one more meal before packing up their boats and heading home. Hans Lassen won the six-boat San Juan class. Anne Covington won the six-boat Wayfarer class with all first place finishes. Jude Brown took first in the very competitive Sunfish class with 10 boats, beating his next competitor by 2 points. The five-boat 420 class was won by ETYSA's Dylan Barbour. Peter Thorn won the four-boat Tanzer class.

As always, it takes a tremendous effort for the race committee and shore team to pull off an event like this. Thank you to all who helped show our visitors what a great club we have.



Photos by Chris & Stephanie Davies



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## Fickle Racing on the River



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## Welcome New Blackbeard Members

### Alicia and Don Fretz



My wife, Alicia, and I have been married for more than 30 years. One of our first dates was delivering a sailboat with a few of my sailing buddies. Alicia grew up in Florida; I am from Northeast Pennsylvania. I have been sailing for 45 years, having raced any number of Regattas including Mackinaw Race, Newport to Bermuda, Annapolis Race Week, Key West Race Week as well as local programs up and down the East Coast. Alicia and I bought our first powerboat in 2004 to enjoy with our growing family and to more actively participate by watching sailing regattas I raced in from the water. Currently I own two Lasers (a Laser 2 and a Laser SB3) and a Wellcraft 21' Fisherman powerboat.

We have two children, a daughter named Amanda and a son named Christian. They're seaworthy and both know how to sail and drive the

powerboat. We traveled extensively as a family visiting the coasts and the mountains.

The kids are grown now and we're empty nesters. Our daughter is married to a wonderful man with whom she's welcomed two little ones which we are thrilled to be near now that we've made our home in Aurora. Our son is active duty Coast Guard stationed in Portsmouth, VA on the USGCG Seneca. He'll be headed west to 'A' school soon to study to be a Yeoman. We're hoping his next station is semi-close.

I have owned my Custom Trim Carpentry business, Don's Details for the last 20 years. My wife is in Anti-Money Laundering technology in the financial industry. We look forward to exploring the area by water and to get to know folks in the community.

### Jeff Pare & Laura Moreschi

We are excited to submit our family's application to join the BSC as we embark on a new chapter in our sailing journey. With a love for the sea, our family (Laura, Jeff and our three daughters) is looking forward to become part of the vibrant community of passionate sailors that the BSC represents.

Laura, who has been sailing since childhood, honed her skills on her grandfather's Ensign (hull #290), which Jeff has lovingly restored during our annual trips to Maine and we continue to sail every summer. Laura also spent numerous summers cruising alongside her father on his Tartan 37 in the Long Island Sound. Laura's experience includes teaching sailing during her college summers in the Casco Bay of Maine. Her journey further evolved when she met Jeff in Boston, where they avidly explored the waters together at Boston Community Boating and as members of the Boston Sailing Center. Their shared passion for competitive sailing ignited during Thursday night Soling races in Boston har-





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### Pare & Moreschi (continued)

bor. They even exchanged ASA sailing courses as anniversary gifts over the years. Currently, Laura works in talent acquisition for a local software firm and volunteers as the registrar for the RTP Sailing Team.

Jeff's sailing background stems from his childhood, where he sailed alongside his father, an amateur boat restorer. This experience fostered his affinity for problem-solving and tinkering on the water. Jeff's sailing endeavors have included memorable moments like frostbiting races in Boston's wintry conditions and participation in events such as NOOD and Marblehead races. He also served as crew on a Bristol 35.5 for the Monhegan Island race. In NC, Laura and Jeff have an O'Day Mariner 2+2 which they currently keep at Falls Lake. Presently, Jeff works as a project engineer and actively supports the RTP Sailing Team as a chaperone, boat transporter, and travel coach.

Our three daughters, Mimi, Lottie, and Tori, bring their own remarkable talents and enthusiasm to the world of sailing.

Mimi (18) is captain of the RTP Sailing Team and teaches lessons at the Carolina Sailing Club. This summer she will work as a lifeguard and water safety instructor. As Mimi prepares for her college journey in Boston, she eagerly anticipates making the most of her time on and in the water.

Lottie (17) is also an avid racer and holds the position of equipment manager for the RTP Sailing Team, ensuring the 420 fleet is race-ready. She is currently pursuing her Level 1 Sailing Instructor certification and plans to teach sailing in Maine during the summer. Lottie is also a certified lifeguard.

Tori (14) just completed her first full season on the RTP Sailing Team and won her first 1st place finish at last month's Cinco de Mayo race. As a crew member for a teammate and competing against her sisters, Tori embodies the spirit of friendly competition.

All three girls have enriched their sailing journeys by attending sailing camps in Mystic, CT, and Chebeague Island, ME. These experiences have deepened their appreciation for the art of sailing and the vibrant community that surrounds it.

As we aspire to become members of the Blackbeard Sailing Club, we eagerly look forward to contributing to the club's camaraderie, events, and initiatives. We yearn to immerse ourselves in a community that shares our profound love for the sea and sailing. Our family is prepared to embrace the spirit of adventure, forge lasting connections, and create unforgettable memories with you as members of the BSC.

Thank you for considering our application, and we eagerly await the opportunity to join your sailing community.

Sincerely,

Jeff, Laura, Mimi, Lottie, and Tori

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### Jim Riley



I was born and raised in Raleigh and Chapel Hill. My mom's family is from Georgia and I lived with them for a stint as well. They call me Jamey. My first experience sailing was as a kid with my mom and friends on Jordan Lake. I have fond memories of wake boarding behind a Hunter 22. Later on, I sailed some sunfish at summer camp in the 90s. Through college I did a good amount of boating and some flying with my roommate though he's not a sailor.

My father and my uncle were avid sailors. My uncle nearly qualified for the Olympics in a Flying Dutchman. Sadly, by the time I came to live with my dad in Raleigh, he was very ill with cancer and his two sailboats didn't touch water for the five years I walked past them. I hear from my close friends and family that he always felt the most alive entertaining on the water and I see myself picking up where he left off so long ago.

Last year I spent a lot of time fishing in the Gulf of Mexico and loved it... but didn't love the fumes or the fact that our trips burned over 100 lbs of diesel fuel per person. The rumbling motor through the night didn't help with getting to sleep either.

I want to take up sailing and experience coastal cruising and share the experience with my old and new friends alike. And maybe there's an exciting crossing or more in my future too!

I'm looking forward to bringing elbow grease, enthusiasm, and curiosity to the club.

### Russ and Laura Snyder

They have been married 42 years and have 5 children, Ryan (40), Chris (35), Tom (26), Elise (25), and Jacob (21). No grandchildren yet, but they are still hopeful! Russ and Laura live in Carthage, NC (near Pinehurst) in a bermed house that they designed and built themselves (a 3-year endeavor completed in 2016). Consequently, they have a lot of skills to offer and share with BSC. Both Russ and Laura were born in Buffalo, NY. They moved to NC in 1997.



In his 20's and 30's, after earning a degree in Electronic Technology, Russ worked for Calspan Corp. in Buffalo, in two different departments: The Transonic Wind Tunnel, as an engineer testing concept aircraft, and in the Transportation Sciences Department crash-testing cars (as an engineer, not the crash dummy!). Kolcraft Products offered



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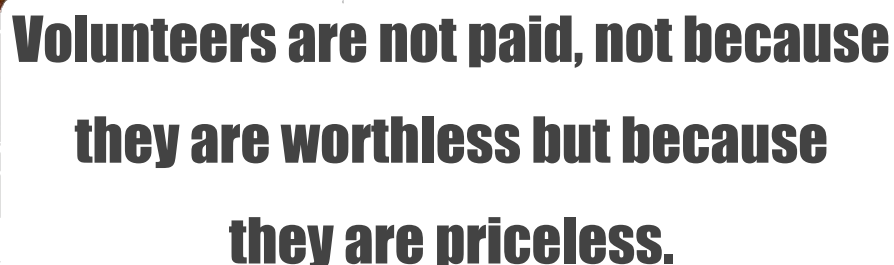
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him a job as lead engineer for their Child Restraint division and the Snyders moved to North Carolina. Three years later, in 2001, after turning down a vice-presidency position at Kolcraft because they would have had to move to Chicago, Russ started a computer service and repair business called Mobile Computer Doctors which, though he is semi-retired, he is still successfully running today.

Laura had earned most of a BS in accounting before the family moved to North Carolina. That knowledge was used to keep Mobile Computer Doctors on the right side of the tax laws. After their last child started kindergarten, Laura started a writing career. She self-syndicated her humor column, "Laura On Life," to 125 newspapers, magazines and online sites, and published two books between 2004 to 2012. Over the past 12 years, she trained for and earned two 3rd Degree Black Belts in Combat Hapkido and Tae Kwon Do and taught Women's Self-defense to women and teens. In 2014, Laura decided to join her daughter and go back to school to earn a degree in Early Childhood Education. She and her daughter then opened a fully outdoor nature preschool called Mother Nature Academy.

Russ and Laura owned an O'Day 24 when they were younger. They sailed it on Lake Erie but sold it when it got too small for their expanding family to comfortably sail on. Life got in the way after that, and they didn't get another boat until the children had all grown and moved out. Then, they bought a McGregor 26 and sailed on Kerr Lake, NC for a few years. They currently own a Contessa 35 and look forward to sailing with their new friends at Blackbeard Sailing Club! Russ and Laura enjoy day sailing and overnight cruises and will probably try some of the fun regattas that BSC offers.



**Volunteers are not paid, not because  
they are worthless but because  
they are priceless.**

# BLACKBEARD'S EPITAPH

## updated PirateNet Wi-Fi at Blackbeard

by Reid Serozi

# PIRATE NET for Sailors



**Network: PirateNet**  
Ranked most reliable



**Network: PirateNet\_5G**  
Ideal for streaming



**Network: Club House**  
Dedicated for meetings & events

## WiFi Updates



Avast Ye. For those that are docked along the end of "C Dock", PirateNet, WiFi for Sailors, you now have reliable blazing-fast internet access. Thank you for your patience.

Did you know there are now a total of 2 poles along "C Dock" broadcasting a Wi-Fi signal for your internet needs? That is twice the coverage to ensure reliable coverage for all vessels.



### Need Help?

PirateNet is operated by a band of volunteers. Scan the QR code to report wifi problems.





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## 2023 RACE SCHEDULE

Provided by Inter-Club Racing Committee

Final 12/23/2022

Date	Day	Club	Event	PHRF	Ensign	SJ21	Sunfish	Other	Location
Jul 1	Sat	BTS	Flounder Fest Regatta				X	FJ/420/SF	Oriental
<b>Jul 4</b>	<b>Tue</b>		<b>INDEPENDENCE DAY</b>						
Jul 22	Sat	NYRA	Parrothead (to Oriental)	X	**	**			New Bern
Aug 5-6	Sat-Sun	BTS	Bow & Stern Regatta	X	X	X	X	All boats/sizes	Oriental
Aug 26-27	Sat-Sun	BSC	Gurganus One-Design Regatta #		X	X	X	X	New Bern
Sep 2-3	Sat-Sun	NYRA	Beer Stein Regatta * P	X	**	**			New Bern
<b>Sep 4</b>	<b>Mon</b>		<b>LABOR DAY</b>						
Sep 16	Sat	BTS	Greens Creek Regatta				X	Under 20 ft	Oriental
Sep 16-17	Sat-Sun	BSC	Blackbeard Regatta (ETYSA Benefit) *	X	**	**			New Bern
Oct 7	Sat	BSC	Neuse River Regatta	X	**	**			New Bern
Oct 13-15	Fri-Sun	ODC	Oriental Cup P	X	**	**			Oriental
Oct 21	Sat	FHYC	Halloween Holiday Race	X	**	**			New Bern
Oct 28	Sat	BTS	Halloween Regatta	X	X	X	X	All boats/sizes	Oriental
Oct 28	Sat	NYRA	Halloween / Winter Race 1 *	X	**	**			New Bern
<b>Oct 31</b>	<b>Tue</b>		<b>HALLOWEEN</b>						
Nov 11	Sat	NYRA	Winter Race 2 *	X	**	**			New Bern
Nov 18	Sat	BSC	Turkey Trot Regatta		X	X	X	ther one-design	New Bern
<b>Nov 23</b>	<b>Thu</b>		<b>THANKSGIVING</b>						
Nov 25	Sat	FHYC	Thanksgiving Holiday Race	X	**	**			New Bern
Dec 2	Sat	NYRA	Winter Race 3 *	X	**	**			New Bern
Dec 16	Sat	NYRA	Winter Race 4 *	X	**	**			New Bern
Jan 1, 2024	Mon	BSC	Fred Latham Regatta			X			New Bern
Jan 1, 2024	Mon	ODC	Instead of Football Regatta	X	**	**			Oriental
Jan 6, 2024	Sat	NYRA	Winter Race 5 *	X	**	**			New Bern
Jan 20, 2024	Sat	NYRA	Winter Race 6 *	X	**	**			New Bern
Feb 3, 2024	Sat	NYRA	Winter Race 7 *	X	**	**			New Bern
Feb 17, 2024	Sat	NYRA	Commodores Ball Regatta *	X	**	**			New Bern

\* NYRA Boat of the Year Race    # Clark Cup Series    \*\* Ensigns & SJ21s sail in PHRF fleets    P Protected

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BSC	Blackbeard Sailing Club	LuAnn Parins	lmparins@gmail.com	(252) 229-6528
ETYSA	Edward Teach Youth Sailing Assn	Heather French	heather.french.massey@gmail.com	(252) 571-0322
FHYC	Fairfield Harbour Yacht Club	Barb Robinson	ribaldness@gmail.com	(715) 781-7737
FLT 8	San Juan Fleet #8	Jeff Thomas	jennjeff@suddenlink.net	(252) 638-1493
FOM	Friends of the Museum (Beaufort)	Brent Creelman	brent@maritimefriends.org	(252) 728-1638
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## 2023 ICRC Race Calendar

### Additional Events of Interest

#### Ensign Fleet Races - located on the Neuse River near Upper Broad Creek, New Bern, NC.

**Spring Series:** 7 Thursday races on Mar 30; Apr 6,13,20,27; May 4,11.

**Fall Series:** 7 Thursday races on Sep 28, Oct 5,12,19,26; Nov 2,9; Awards & social following Nov 9 races.

Normally 3 races per day.

**Contact:** Blake Sohn [blakesohn@gmail.com](mailto:blakesohn@gmail.com) or 612-481-9696 for information

#### Fairfield Harbour PHRF Fun Sails - open to all boats with NC PHRF, no fees or scoring, pursuit format.

Tuesday Series: weekly mid-April through mid-October, weather permitting.

**Contact Russ Robinson** [R.Rubarb@gmail.com](mailto:R.Rubarb@gmail.com) for race updates and PHRF-based pursuit start time

#### Blackbeard Sailing Club Weekly Open Sails - open to everyone at no cost, no club affiliation required.

Pursuit starts based on PHRF ratings - notifications via email distribution list.

Day of the week and time based on weather and daylight hours.

**Contact Joan Wilson** [sail\\_kitty@hotmail.com](mailto:sail_kitty@hotmail.com) or Ed Thompson [edthompson2@comcast.net](mailto:edthompson2@comcast.net) to join

#### Sunfish Racing

>**FHYC Sunfish Races** - near the boat ramp on Fairfield Harbour Inner Harbour; 3-4 races per day, weather permitting.

Spring Series - 9 Sunday race days on Apr 2,16,23,30; May 7, 14; Jun 4,11,18,25.

Fall Series - 9 Sunday race days on Sep 10,17, 24; Oct 1,8,15,22,29; Awards & social following Oct 29

**Contact Jerry Rezab** for info at [geraldrezab@yahoo.com](mailto:geraldrezab@yahoo.com) or (252) 288-4124.

#### >Oriental Dinghy Club (ODC), Oriental NC

Year series - to be determine

**Contact Bob Slook** for info at [bslook@gmail.com](mailto:bslook@gmail.com) or (732) 740-5591.

#### >Hot Toddy Winter Series at Blackbeard Sailing Club, New Bern NC

Nov or Dec through Mar, into Apr, Sat or Sun usually 2 weeks or more apart.

2023 Schedule: Jan 1,14; Feb 11; Mar 11; Apr 15

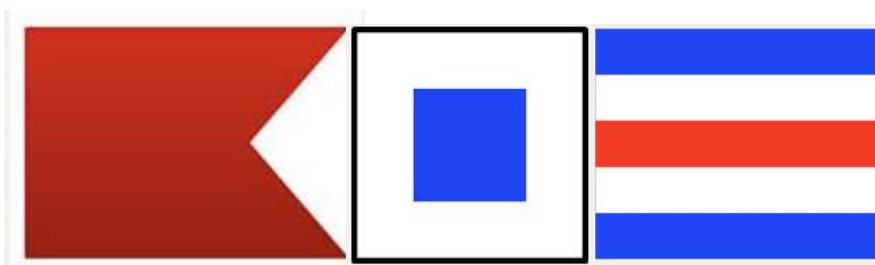
**Contact Sonya Dean** for info [sonyafm@hotmail.com](mailto:sonyafm@hotmail.com) or (919) 271-9899.

#### >Harkers Island Regatta - Jul 15, 2023

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#### Miscellaneous:

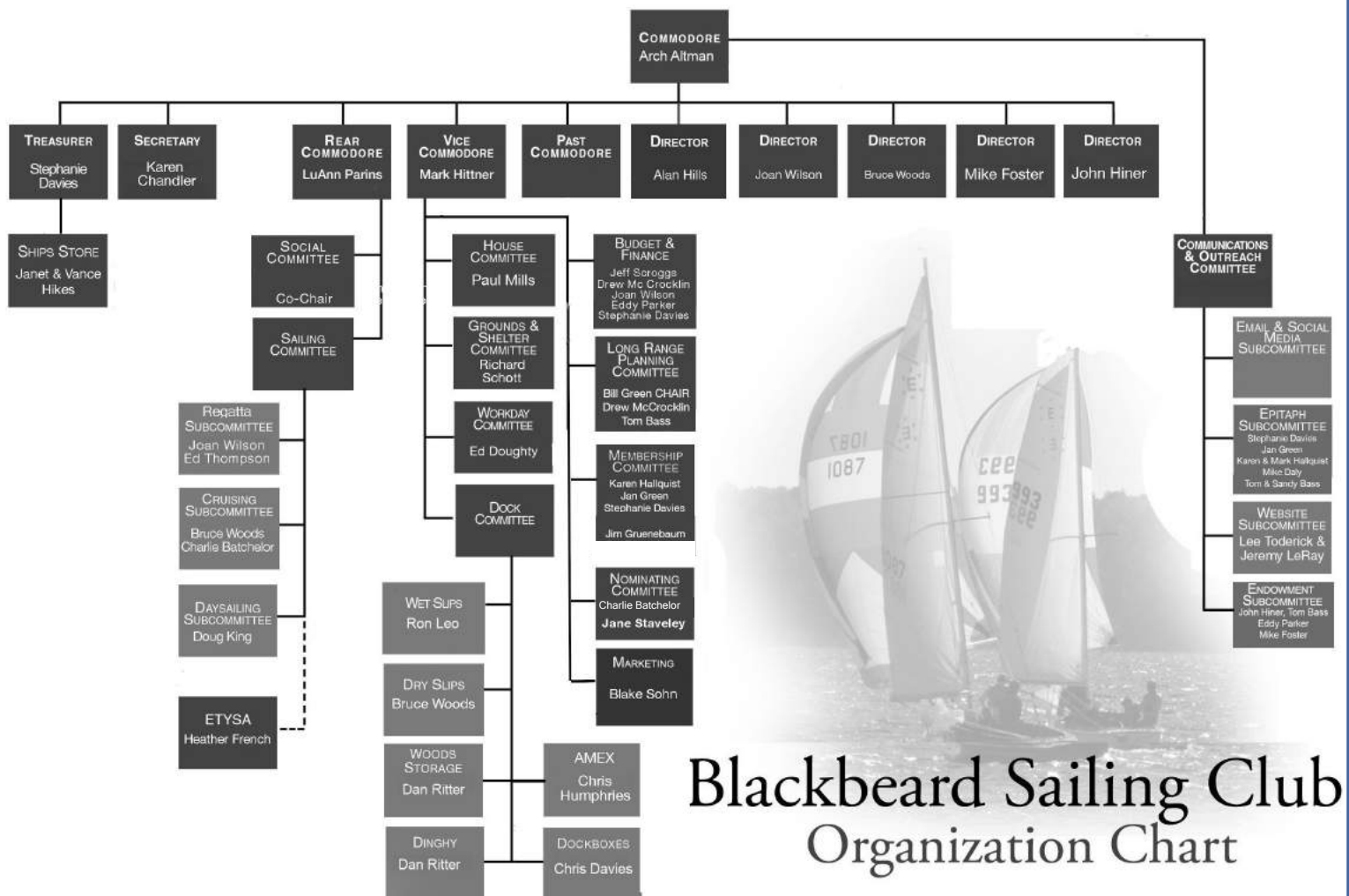
Date	Day	Club	Event	Location
Jun 5-Jun 30	Mon-Fri	BSC	ETYSA Youth Sailing Camps	New Bern NC
Jul 10-Aug 4	Mon-Fri	BSC	ETYSA Youth Sailing Camps	New Bern NC
TBD	Thu-Sun	FLT 8	SJ-21 Eastern Nationals	TBD
Oct 7-8	Sat-Sun		Mumfest	New Bern NC





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## 2023 Board of Directors & Department Leads



Blackbeard Sailing Club  
Organization Chart

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## New Website Map

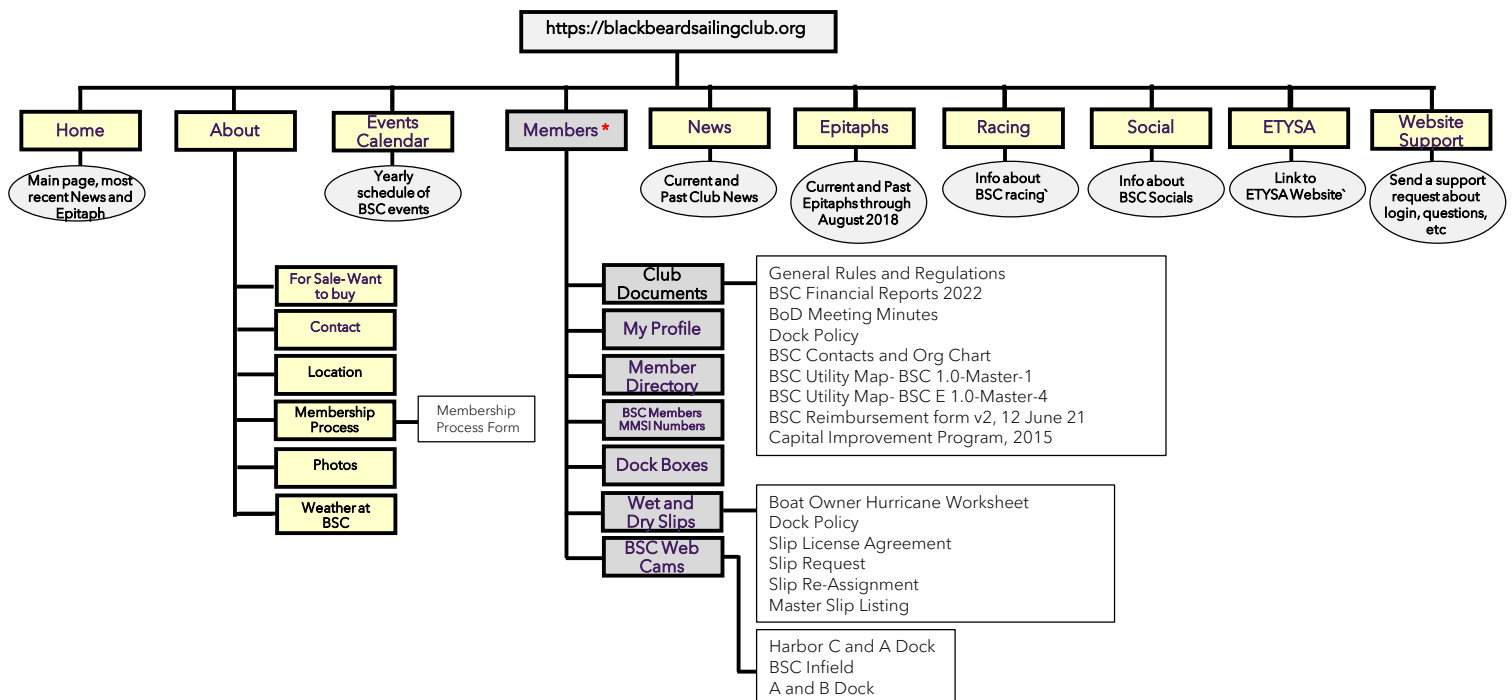
by Lee Toderick

We have a new website with lots of new features, and some old links (like your favorite - Web Cams)!

The URL is <https://blackbeardsailingclub.org>

- 🚢 Your old member id and email address have been copied to the new site.
- 🚢 To get a new password, open the BSC website and click on the "Login" icon. Click on the link for "Forgot your Password?" and follow the instructions.
- 🚢 If you have any problems, just click on "Website Support" and fill out the form.

If you can't log into the website, send a website support ticket - Menu option Website Support, then fill out your request and click Submit.



\* Members access is restricted- requires login



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Pirate Silly

submitted by Susan McCrocklin



OH... AND A BOTTLE OF RUM.